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This is a decision on the petition for reconsideration filed January 21, 2009 under 37 CFR 1.378(e), to accept the delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Petitioner will not receive future correspondence related to maintenance fees for the above-identified patent unless a fee address@ (see PTO/SB/47) is submitted for the above-identified patent.

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